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SUBJ: CIVAIR: NORTH ATLANTIC FARES

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1. WE PASSED INFO CONTAINED REFTEL TO ROGERS (DTI) AND COLEGATE (CAA) ON NOVEMBER 28. BOTH APPRECIATIVE OF ADVANCE NOTICE OF IMPENDING CAB ACTION ON IATA NORTH ATLANTIC FARES AGREEMENT. ALTHOUGH NEITHER WAS SURPRISED BY CAB DECISION, BOTH EXPRESSED DISAPPOINTMENT WITH IT.

2. COLEGATE SAID CAA SHARED WITH CAB MANY OF SAME VIEWS WITH REGARD CERTAIN ELEMENTS OF IATA PACKAGE BUT UK HAD BEEN PREPARED TO LIVE WITH IATA AGREEMENT BECAUSE TO DO SO APPEARED TO BE LEAST UNFAVORABLE ALTERNATIVE AVAILABLE, WHILE AT SAME TIME PRESSING CARRIERS TO COME UP WITH MORE RATIONAL FARE STRUCTURE NEXT YEAR. COLEGATE IS CONCERNED LEST CAB UNTYING OF IATA PACKAGE FOR SELECTED CHANGES MIGHT UPSET BALANCE OF PACKAGE AND CAUSE WHOLE THING TO FALL APART. FOR EXAMPLE, IF 22-45 DAY EXCURSION FARE IS TO BE SIGNIFI-
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CANTLY ALTERED, BRITISH AIRWAYS MAY FEEL OBLIGED TO

PRESS FOR INTRODUCTION OF APEX FARES OR PART CHARTERS
TO MEET SUPPLEMENTAL AIRLINES' COMPETITION.

3. ROGERS EXPRESSED PARTICULAR CONCERN ABOUT TIMING
OF CAB DECISION. HE SAID HE HAD HOPED THAT IF CAB
FELT COMPELLED TO DISAPPROVE IATA PACKAGE IT MIGHT HAVE
DONE SO ALMOST IMMEDIATELY AFTER IT WAS FILED TO GIVE
THE CARRIERS MORE TIME TO WORK OUT CHANGES.

4. WE UNDERSTAND ECAC SPECIALIST GROUP ON RATES AND
FARES IS MEETING IN PARIS THIS WEEK. BRITISH HAVE
INFORMED GROUP OF IMPENDING CAB ACTION SO THAT THEY
WILL HAVE OPPORTUNITY EXCHANGE VIEWS ON NEW SITUATION
CREATED BY BOARD ACTION.

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